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1. A Chinese-Malay pro-Communist nationalist daily, Sedar, will be published by TJIONG Pek Som's N.V. Handel Maatschappij Sin Chun. TJIONG Pek Som is a former Japanese collaborator. The address of the publication is Pintu Besar 93, Batavia.
2. The editors of the new publication will be :
 - THIO In Lok Councilor of the Sin Ming Hui; reports to TAN Kah Kee through LIE Kian Kim, chairman of the Sin Ming Hui.
 - Jusuf Jahja Deputy Republican mayor of Batavia in 1945-47 under Suwirjo.
 - TAN Boen Soan* Until recently editor of the Sin Min, Semarang.
 - POUW Kioe An* Formerly a Malay novelist in Malang.
 - Hazil Pro-Communist Indonesian
3. All the subscribers and advertisers of the Min Pao** have been taken over by Sedar. The first issue will be published on 22 June 1949.
4. Fifty percent of the shares of Sedar are held by J.E. van Hoogstraten***. For this reason the application for a paper allotment made by TJIONG Pek Som for the publication of the paper was approved by the Paper Allotment Commission.

* Comment. For other information on TAN Boen Soan and
POUW Kioe An see

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** Comment 3 May 1949, reported that OEY Kim Sen, former commandant of the Pao An Tui, and THIO In Lok, chief editor of the monthly Sedar, had taken over the Min Pao from OEY Tiang Tjoel and that OEY Tiang Tjoel and his partner, TJIONG Pek Som, were on the board of directors. It further reported that Mrs. KHOUW Keng Nio, of the Sin Ming Hui's Bahagi in Wanita (Women's Department), was financing the new undertaking.

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*** ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~ Comment, ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~ July-October 1948, reported that TJIONG Pek Son was a profiteer with a position on the Central Rice Board and that he was a "yes-man" of J.E. van Hoogstraten. It has also been reported that the chairman of the Paper Allotment Commission is an official under van Hoogstraten in the Department of Economic Affairs.

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